Grand Royal Arch Chapter.

1837.

ANNUAL MEETING.

At the Annual Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, at the Masonic Temple, Tuesday evening, September 12th, A. L. 5837.

PRESENT:

M.E. EDWARD A. RAYMOND,	Grand High Priest.
E. SIMON W. ROBINSON,	Grand King.
" ELIJAH ATHERTON,	Grand Scribe.
" ABRAHAM A. DAME,	Grand Treasurer.
" SAMUEL HOWE,	Grand Secretary.
" JOHN R. BRADFORD,	Grand Marshal.
" ELIAS HASKELL, " ENOCH HOBART,	Committee of Finance.
" JOHN HEWS,	Committee on Charity.
Comp. BENJA. D. BALDWIN, " ANSEL CAPEN,	Grand Stewards.
" JOSIAH BALDWIN,	Grand Tyler.

Members.

Comp. PAUL DEAN, Comp. JOHN J. LORING,
Comp. DANIEL L. GIBBENS.

Visiters.

JOHN B. HAMMATT, THOMAS WATERMAN.

GILBERT NURSE, H. H. BARTON,
NAHUM CAPEN, JONATHAN HASKELL,
JONATHAN AMES.

The following Chapters were represented, viz: — St. Andrew's, St. Paul's, and Mount Zion.

The Grand Chapter was opened in due form.

The records of the last meeting were read.

The Committee appointed on King Hiram's Chapter, reported that they had wrote to said Chapter upon the business of their appointment, but had received no answer.

The following report was read and accepted.

The Committee of Finance of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, submit their annual report, viz:

The Treasurer had in his hands on settlement of last account,	$240 76
And has received from three Chapters, viz: St. Andrew's, Saint Paul's, and Mount Zion,	22 00
Also, of Adoniram Chapter,	36 00
And has allowed for interest,	12 00
Making the sum of	$310 76
He has paid during the past year for sundry expenses of the Grand Chapter, and for which he has exhibited the proper vouchers,	91 83
Leaving a balance now in his hands of	$218 93

The Grand Treasurer, as usual, declines any compensation for his services, and is entitled to the thanks of the Grand Chapter.

The Committee have also examined the records of the Grand Secretary, and find them kept in his usual correct manner, and

recommend that the sum of fifteen dollars be allowed him for his services the past year.

All which is respectfully submitted.

ELIAS HASKELL,
ENOCH HOBART,
BENJA. J. LEEDS, } *Committee of Finance.*

On motion, the Grand Chapter resolved itself into Committee of the whole for the election of officers,—M.E. Edward A. Raymond in the chair.

Comps. John J. Loring, Enoch Hobart, and Abraham A. Dame, were appointed a Committee to collect, assort and declare the votes.

The votes being taken the following companions were declared unanimously elected to the offices set against their names, viz:

E. SIMON W. ROBINSON,	Grand High Priest.
" ELIJAH ATHERTON,	Grand King.
" ENOCH HOBART,	Grand Scribe.
" ABRAHAM A. DAME,	Grand Treasurer.
" SAMUEL HOWE,	Grand Secretary.

The Committee of the whole then rose and reported the foregoing elections, which were approved by the Grand Chapter.

Voted to postpone the installation of officers until the next regular communication.

Voted, The the Council elect be appointed a Committee to examine the by-laws, and report any alterations they may deem expedient.

Parts of lectures were given on the Mark and Royal Arch degrees, and the Grand Chapter was closed in ancient form.

Attest,

SAMUEL HOWE,
Grand Secretary.

REGULAR MEETING.

At a Regular Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, at the Masonic Temple, on Tuesday evening, December 12th, A. L. 5837.

PRESENT:

M.E. SIMON W. ROBINSON,	Grand High Priest.
E. ELIJAH ATHERTON,	Grand King.
" ENOCH HOBART,	Grand Scribe.
" JOHN R. BRADFORD,	Grand Marshal.
" ABRAHAM A. DAME,	Grand Treasurer.
" SAMUEL HOWE,	Grand Secretary.
Comp. ELIAS HASKELL,	Gr. Committee of Finance.
" JOHN HEWS,	Committee on Charity.
" ANSEL CAPEN,	Grand Steward.
" JOSIAH BALDWIN,	Grand Tyler.

Members.

E. PAUL DEAN, E. JOHN J. LORING.

Visiters.

THOMAS WATERMAN, JONATHAN AMES, NOAH D. HASKELL, F. R. BIGELOW, SAMUEL WALES, HUGH H. TUTTLE, JOHN B. HAMMATT, CHARLES WILLIAMS, JOSHUA TUCKER, WILLIAM EATON.

The following Chapters were represented, viz:—St. Andrew's, St. Paul's, Adoniram, and Mount Zion.

The Grand Chapter was opened in due form.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Grand High Priest elect, was qualified and installed by Rev. Comp. Paul Dean.

The Grand High Priest, then qualified and installed the remaining elective officers agreeable to ancient Masonic usage.

The following appointments were made by the M.E. Grand High Priest, and qualified for their respective offices.

E. JOHN B. HAMMATT,	Deputy Grand High Priest.
Rev. Dr. EZRA RIPLEY of Concord,	Grand Chaplains.
" SEBASTIAN STREETER of Boston,	
" SETH ALDEN of Marlboro,	
" EDWARD T. TAYLOR of Boston,	
" E. M. P. WELLS,	
Comp. JOHN R. BRADFORD,	Grand Marshal.
" ELIAS HASKELL,	Committee of Finance.
" THOMAS WATERMAN,	
" BENJAMIN J. LEEDS,	
" CHARLES W. MOORE,	Committee on Charity.
" JOHN HEWS,	
" SAMUEL WALES,	
" ROB'T KEITH,	Grand Lecturers.
" LEMUEL GAY,	
" BENJAMIN D. BALDWIN,	Grand Stewards.
" ANSEL CAPEN,	
" JOSIAH BALDWIN,	Grand Tyler.

Proclamation was then made that the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts was duly organized for the ensuing year.

The Committee on King Hiram's Chapter, reported progress, and had further time granted.

The Committee on the by-laws made the following report.

CITY OF BOSTON,
MASONIC TEMPLE, Dec. 12, 1837.

The Committee to whom was referred the By-Laws of the Grand Chapter, have had the same under consideration, and respectfully ask leave to report: That they have carefully examined the Constitution and By-Laws, and recommend the following amendments, viz:

ARTICLE 2. In the third and fourth lines strike out the words "*June* and *December*," and add "March." In the sixth line strike out the words "*and appointment*." In the eleventh line after the word "*day*" add, "or at such other time as the Grand Chapter shall designate." In the 7th line after the words Grand High Priest, add "Deputy Grand High Priest." The Committee find in the records the following standing Regulations and recommend their adoption as a part of the By-Laws.

ARTICLE 7th. In the second line of the second paragraph strike out the word "requested," and insert "*directed by the Grand High Priest*." And in the fifth and sixth lines, strike out the words "the parties so employing him," and insert in lieu thereof, "*this Grand Chapter*."

ARTICLE 9th. At the end of the first paragraph, add the following: "And said Chapter shall pay fifty cents per month, for the time it shall hold its Warrant."

ARTICLE 11th. In the fourth line after the word "be" strike out the remainder of the section, and insert, "ninety dollars; and the Secretary shall be paid by the petitioners five dollars for his services in executing the Charter."

ARTICLE 12th. In the fourth line, strike out the word "twelve" and insert "six."

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ARTICLE 3d. In the seventh line, after the words "Royal Arch Mason," add, "and that he be a member of a Chapter under the jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter."

All which is respectfully submitted,

For the Committee,

S. W. ROBINSON.

On motion, *Voted* to accept the by-laws, as amended, and that they take effect from and after the present meeting.

On motion, *Voted*, That the by-laws be referred to the same Committee, to prepare a revised copy, to be presented to the next meeting; and to suggest any further alterations they may deem advisable.

Parts of lectures were given on the Mark and Royal Arch degrees, and the Grand Chapter closed in ancient form.

Attest,

SAMUEL HOWE,
Grand Secretary.

REGULAR MEETING.

At a Regular Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, at the Masonic Temple, on Tuesday evening, March 13th, A. L. 5838.

PRESENT:

M.E. SIMON W. ROBINSON, . Grand High Priest.
E. ELIJAH ATHERTON, . . Grand King.

E. Enoch Hobart, . . Grand Scribe.
" Samuel Wales, . . Grand Treasurer, *pro tem.*
" Samuel Howe, . . Grand Secretary.
Comp. Thomas Waterman, } Committee of Finance.
" Benjamin J. Leeds, }
" John Hews, } Committee of Charity.
" Chas. W. Moore, }
" Robert Keith, . . Grand Lecturer.
" John R. Bradford, . Grand Marshal.
" Ansel Capen, . . . Grand Steward.
" Josiah Baldwin, . . Grand Tyler.

Members.

Comp. Caleb Butler, Comp. Paul Dean,
Comp. Edward A. Raymond.

Visiters.

Comp. Nahum Capen, Comp. Hugh H. Tuttle,
Comp. Ruel Baker.

The following Chapters were represented, viz: — St. Andrew's, St. Paul's, and Mount Zion.

The Grand Chapter was opened in due form.

The records of the last meeting were read.

The Committee on King Hiram's Chapter at Greenwich, reported, that they had not received any answer to their letter requesting them to surrender their Charter, and settle their dues.

On motion, *Voted*, That the Charter granted to King Hiram's Chapter at Greenwich, be declared forfeited, and the same is annulled and void.

The following report was read and accepted.

Mason's Hall, March 13th, 1838.

The Committee to whom was referred the By-Laws of the Grand Chapter, to consider, if any and what further amendments are necessary, report:—

That they have carefully examined the By-Laws as adopted at the last meeting of the Grand Chapter, and do not perceive the necessity of any further action upon the subject.

For the Committee,

S. W. Robinson.

On motion, it was *Voted*, That the Committee who reported the by-laws, cause a suitable number of the revised copies to be printed for the use of the Grand Chapter. Also, that a copy of the same be placed on the records of the Grand Chapter.

On motion, it was *Voted*, That Simon W. Robinson, Elijah Atherton, Enoch Hobart, John B. Hammatt, and Winslow Lewis, Jr., be appointed a Committee, clothed with full powers to make arrangements for the meeting of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, in Boston, in September next.

On motion, *Voted*, That this Grand Chapter tender the use of this Hall to the General Grand Chapter on the above occasion; and that the Grand High Priest request the Tyler to officiate at said meeting.

Parts of lectures were given on the Mark and Royal Arch degrees, and the Grand Chapter was closed in ancient form.

Attest,

SAMUEL HOWE,
Grand Secretary.

REGULATIONS

OF THE

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER

OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Revised and Adopted March 13th, A. L. 5838.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for the better government and regulation of themselves and the Chapters under their jurisdiction, do ordain and establish the following general and particular Regulations:

ARTICLE 1.

This Grand Royal Arch Chapter shall consist of the following Officers, to wit:

Grand High Priest,
Dep. Grand High Priest,
Grand King,
Grand Scribe,
Grand Treasurer,
Grand Secretary,
Grand Chaplains,
Grand Lecturers,
Grand Marshal,
Grand Stewards,
Grand Tyler.

Together with Past Grand High Priests, Past Deputy Grand High Priests, Kings and Scribes, and of the High Priests, Kings and Scribes, for the time being, of the several Chapters under the jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter.

ARTICLE 2.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter shall hold two communications in a year, to wit: on the Tuesday next preceding the second

Wednesday in March and September, of which the communication in September shall be the Annual Communication, and the time for the choice of officers, of whom the Grand High Priest, Deputy Grand High Priest, King, Scribe, Treasurer and Secretary, shall be elected by ballot; and the others shall be appointed by the Grand High Priest, so chosen; all of whom, if present, shall be duly installed on that day, or at such other time as the Grand Chapter shall designate; and if any of said officers shall be absent at the time of his election or appointment, it shall be the duty of the Grand Secretary to forward him due notice thereof, with a request that he would signify his acceptance or refusal in writing, within twenty days at least preceding the next regular meeting of the Grand Chapter; and should any of said officers decline accepting the office assigned him, or neglect to give notice thereof within the time aforesaid, then such office shall be deemed vacant, and filled at the next regular meeting of said Grand Chapter. And all other vacancies of office, by resignation or otherwise, shall be filled at the regular communication, next succeeding the same. And all communications of the Grand Chapter shall hereafter be holden in Boston.

ARTICLE 3.

All Grand Officers at the time of their installation, shall make the following declaration: I, A. B. do solemnly promise on the honor of a Royal Arch Mason, that according to the utmost of my knowledge and ability, I will strictly comply with all the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, the Constitution and Laws of the General Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the United States, and all other ancient Masonic usages.

ARTICLE 4.

In case of the absence of the Grand High Priest, Deputy Grand High Priest, Grand King and Grand Scribe, it shall be the duty of the oldest past officer of those grades respectively, to preside, and in case of the absence of all the past officers, the High Priest of the oldest Chapter present, shall preside.

ARTICLE 5.

The Grand High Priest, Deputy Grand High Priest, King, or

Scribe of this Grand Royal Arch Chapter, for the time being, shall not be High Priest, King, or Scribe of any Subordinate Chapter.

ARTICLE 6.

No person shall be eligible to the office of Grand High Priest for more than three years successively.

ARTICLE 7.

It shall be the duty of the Grand High Priest to appoint one or more discreet and well informed companions, to be styled Grand Lecturer, who shall be commissioned by the Grand High Priest, with the seal of the Grand Chapter affixed, and attested by the Grand Secretary, which commission shall be in force until the conclusion of the annual meeting in September, and no longer.

It shall be the duty of the Grand Lecturer, when requested by any Subordinate Chapter, and directed by the Grand High Priest, to visit any Chapter under this jurisdiction, and teach them the lectures, mode of work, and all things appertaining to the interest of the degrees, and government of the Chapter; and the Chapter so employing him, shall make him a reasonable compensation for his services.

He shall keep a record of his proceedings and submit it to the inspection of the Grand High Priest when required, and shall make no alterations in the lectures without permission of the Grand Chapter. That the system as established by the Grand Chapter, and taught by the Grand Lecturer, shall be the standard for the regulation of all Chapters under this jurisdiction.

ARTICLE 8.

A Committee of three shall be appointed at the annual meeting, immediately after the installation of the Grand Officers, to be styled the Committee of Finance, whose duty it shall be to examine and audit all bills presented against the Grand Chapter, together with the Grand Treasurer's and Secretary's accounts and books, and report at the annual communication in September, previously to the election of officers.

ARTICLE 9.

Every petition for a Warrant to open a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons within the jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter, shall be signed by at least nine regular Royal Arch Masons within the jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter, which petition shall be accompanied with a certificate from the Chapter within this Commonwealth, nearest the place where the new Chapter is intended to be opened, vouching for the moral character and Masonic abilities of the petitioners, and recommending to the Grand Chapter to grant them a Warrant; and if it shall meet the approbation of this Grand Chapter, the Grand High Priest shall grant his dispensation for the same, to be in force not exceeding twelve months, and during that time, the members of said Chapter shall be examined with regard to their ability to perform the requisite duties, by a Committee to be appointed by the Grand High Priest; said Committee to report to the Grand High Priest, and if their report meet his approbation, he shall within the year aforesaid, unless a further time is granted by a vote of the Grand Chapter, appoint a time for the consecration of said Chapter and installation of the officers, and direct the Secretary to make out a Charter to bear even date with the dispensation, and said Chapter shall pay fifty cents per month for the time it shall have held its Warrant.

And if a majority of the members of any Chapter, at a regular meeting notified for that purpose, shall vote to remove their Chapter to any other place, the Grand Chapter may sanction and authorize such removal, if recommended by the Chapter nearest to the place to which the Chapter is proposed to be removed.

The fees for the Charter shall be paid upon receiving the dispensation, and all expenses of the Grand Chapter for the installation of the new Chapter, shall be paid by the Chapter installed.

ARTICLE 10.

No Warrant shall be granted by this Grand Chapter for holding a Mark Master's, Past Master's, or Most Excellent Master's Lodge, independent of a Royal Arch Chapter.

ARTICLE 11.

The fees for a Warrant for holding a Chapter of Royal Arch

Masons, and opening Lodges of Mark Masters, Past Masters, and Most Excellent Masters, shall be ninety dollars; and the Secretary shall be paid by the petitioners five dollars for his services in executing the Charter.

ARTICLE 12.

The several Chapters under the jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter, shall pay for the support thereof, into the hands of the Grand Treasurer, annually, the sum of six dollars, and also three dollars for every candidate, who shall be exalted in such Chapter, and shall be entitled to receive of the Grand Secretary one diploma for each candidate exalted.

ARTICLE 13.

Every Chapter of Royal Arch Masons under this jurisdiction, may be represented by their High Priest, King and Scribe, in person, or by their respective proxies, at every meeting of the Grand Chapter; and at the annual communication in September, make a duplicate return of the names of their officers and members, and of the candidates by them exalted, (one of which returns shall be held by the Grand Treasurer, and the other by the Chapter), and pay their dues to the Grand Treasurer.

ARTICLE 14.

No candidate shall be exalted to the degree of Royal Arch Mason by any Chapter under this jurisdiction for a less sum than thirty-one dollars, except the candidate be a regular minister of the gospel, in which case the Chapter exalting him, may, at their discretion, remit the whole, or any part of the fees; and no note of hand shall be taken by any Chapter for the fees, or any part of the fees, due on the exaltation or advancement of any candidate.

ARTICLE 15.

The application of any and every candidate, who is a resident in this Commonwealth, for exaltation in any Chapter under this jurisdiction, shall be made in writing and signed by the applicant; and said application shall lay over one meeting of said Chapter, at least, for the consideration of the members thereof; and no ballot shall be taken upon the application of any candidate within thirty days

from the meeting at which he was proposed, unless in cases of emergency, when a dispensation from the Grand High Priest, Grand King, or Grand Scribe, shall be obtained, and that no candidate shall be received or admitted to the degrees, without an unanimous vote in his favor.

ARTICLE 16.

No candidate, residing in any town where a Chapter is holden under this jurisdiction, shall be exalted in any other Chapter within this jurisdiction, without a recommendation from nine members of the Chapter nearest the place where said candidate does reside, of whom the High Priest, King and Scribe shall be three.

ARTICLE 17.

No Chapter under this jurisdiction shall receive for exaltation to the sublime degree, a candidate who is resident in another of the United States, where Grand or Subordinate Chapters are established, agreeably to the rules and regulations of the General Grand Chapter, and whose place of residence is within the distance of fifty miles from any Subordinate Chapter of the State, in which such candidate lives, unless said candidate's application be accompanied by a special recommendation from a majority of the officers, one of whom must be the High Priest, King, or Scribe, of the Chapter nearest the place of his residence, and in the State wherein he resides; or the approbation and recommendation of two of the four first officers of the Grand Chapter of the State wherein he resides, and six members of some one Chapter under the jurisdiction of said Grand Chapter.

ARTICLE 18.

An applicant to any Chapter under this jurisdiction for the sublime degree, who is a foreigner, or not a resident of any of the United States, where Chapters are held agreeably to the regulations of the General Grand Chapter of the said States, must have his application written and signed by himself, and four members of the Chapter to which he applies for exaltation, or by himself and six members of other Chapters under this jurisdiction.

ARTICLE 19.

No candidate, whose application may be rejected in any Chapter under this jurisdiction, shall be exalted in any Chapter, other than that to which he first applied, without a recommendation from nine members of said Chapter, of whom the High Priest, King and Scribe shall be three; and it shall be the duty of every Chapter under this jurisdiction to communicate all rejections of candidates to the several Chapters under this jurisdiction, as well as to this Grand Chapter.

ARTICLE 20.

No Royal Arch Mason shall be admitted a member of any Chapter under this jurisdiction, unless he shall have regularly received the degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft, Master Mason, Mark Master Mason, Past Master, Most Excellent Master and Royal Arch Mason, nor without an unanimous vote in his favor.

ARTICLE 21.

No Royal Arch Mason shall be a member of two separate and distinct Chapters under this jurisdiction at one and the same time.

ARTICLE 22.

No Chapter or assembly of Royal Arch Masons, that may hereafter be formed within the jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter, shall be deemed legal without the sanction of a Warrant from this Grand Chapter. Masonic communication, either public or private, is hereby strictly forbidden between any Chapter or Lodge under this jurisdiction, or between any member of said Chapter or Lodge under this jurisdiction, and any Chapter or Lodge that may be so illegally opened, or either of their members, or any person exalted or advanced in such illegal Chapter or Lodge.

The punishment for breach of any part of this article shall be expulsion and exclusion from the benefits of this Grand Chapter.

ARTICLE 23.

The High Priest, King and Scribe of any Chapter, under the jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter, when not able to attend the communications, shall appoint their proxies by a commission signed

with their names, to which their seals shall be affixed, which commission shall continue in force only during the year for which the said High Priest, King or Scribe was elected.

PARTICULAR REGULATIONS.

ARTICLE 1.

At every communication of this Grand Chapter, previous to the transaction of any business, the Chapter shall be opened in due form.

ARTICLE 2.

The officers of Subordinate Chapters, who attend the communications of the Grand Chapter, must appear clothed in their proper jewels.

ARTICLE 3.

Every officer of a Chapter under this jurisdiction, who, as such, has a right to sit and vote in this Grand Chapter, shall, in case of his absence at any communication, have a right to be represented therein by his proxy duly appointed; provided, however, such proxy be not under the degree of Royal Arch Mason, and that he be a member of a Chapter under the jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter. In case of the absence of the High Priest, the King shall wear his jewel, the Scribe shall wear the King's jewel, and the proxy of the High Priest shall wear the Scribe's jewel. And in case of the absence of the King also, the Scribe shall wear his jewel, and the proxy of the King shall wear the Scribe's jewel.

The form of letters of proxy, shall be in substance as follows, viz:

To the M.E. Grand R. A. Chapter of Massachusetts:

Be it Known,

That pursuant to the authority given me by the G. R. A. C. of Mass., I ———, of ——— Chapter, do, by these presents, constitute and appoint Comp. ———, of ———, to represent me at the meetings of said Grand Chapter, to be holden at Boston, on the ——— day of ———, [or, for the present Masonic year, as the case may be.]

Confirming the acts of said companion, in his capacity aforesaid, I pray that he may enjoy all the privileges and protection to which I am entitled.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this ——— day of ———, A. L. ———.

ARTICLE 4.

Every member of this Grand Chapter, and representative thereto, must appear properly clothed with the badges of a Royal Arch Mason.

ARTICLE 5.

No companion shall be admitted into this Grand Chapter, but such as are members and voters, except petitioners and witnesses, or those called in by motion. And no person shall be admitted as a visiter at any communication unless some member of said Grand Chapter, or companion of right sitting in the same, will of his own knowledge, declare that such person desirous of being admitted, has regularly received all the degrees appertaining to Royal Arch Masonry, as conferred by the Chapters under this jurisdiction.

ARTICLE 6.

Whereas, it is essentially important, that the mode of working in the several Chapters, under the jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter, should be uniformly the same; therefore, the better to accomplish this desirable object, it shall be the duty of the Grand High Priest, or presiding officer at every communication hereof, to give, or cause to be given, the Mark and Royal Arch lectures, that the officers of the several Chapters may be fully acquainted therewith, and dispense the knowledge of them in an uniform and regular manner in their several Chapters.

ARTICLE 7.

The accounts of the Treasurer and Secretary, at the annual communication in September, shall be audited, and for their services they shall receive such compensation as this Grand Chapter may deem adequate.

ARTICLE 8.

Every return from the Subordinate Chapters shall specify the time when each candidate was marked, passed, acknowledged and

exalted; and each Chapter shall pay to this Grand Chapter, for every candidate admitted to the degree of Mark Master, one dollar; to the degree of Past Master, fifty cents; to the degree of Most Excellent Master, fifty cents; and to the degree of Royal Arch Mason, one dollar.

ARTICLE 9.

When any member of a Chapter under this jurisdiction shall be accused of any offence, which if proved against him, would subject him to an expulsion or other censure, the truth of charge or charges shall not be examined, until a copy of them in writing shall have been delivered to him fourteen days at least previous to the time appointed for the examination. And no investigation shall be had, unless at a meeting of the Chapter, convened on a formal summons for that purpose. And the examination and decision shall be made according to the rules specially prescribed in a report accepted by the Grand Chapter.

ARTICLE 10.

Each Chapter under this jurisdiction shall have a seal, which shall be affixed to all communications made to this Grand Chapter, and to all credentials which may be given by such Chapter to any member thereof.

ARTICLE 11.

Whenever the By-Laws of any Chapter require the names of candidates to be inserted in the notifications, a dispensation from a Grand Officer does not render such insertion unnecessary.

ARTICLE 12.

All motions made in the Grand Chapter, the determinations of which may require to be recorded, shall be handed in writing to the Secretary, who shall present them to the presiding officer for the time being.

ARTICLE 13.

No vote of the Grand Chapter shall be reconsidered by a less number of voters than were present at the passing of the same.

ARTICLE 14.

No article in the Constitution of this Grand Chapter, shall be altered, except at the annual meeting thereof, unless the alteration shall have been proposed at a previous meeting.

The following is a list of the Chapters under the jurisdiction of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts.

St. Andrew's, Boston,	Charter dated	A. L. 5769
King Cyrus, Newburyport,	do.	5790
St. John's, Groton,	do.	5803
King Solomon's, Charlton,	do.	5805
Washington, Salem,	do.	5811
Adoniram, Taunton,	do.	5816
Morning Star, Springfield,	do.	5817
Rising Sun, Nantucket,	do.	5818
St. Paul's, Boston,	do.	5818
Mount Zion, Stoughton,	do.	5820
Thomas, Princeton,	do.	5821
Worcester, Worcester,	do.	5823
Mount Lebanon, Medway,	do.	5824
Brookfield, Brookfield,	do.	5825
Northampton, Northampton,	do.	5825
Concord, Concord,	do.	5826
Mount Horeb, Lowell,	do.	5826
Sutton, Sutton,	do.	5826

The Stated Communications are held in Boston, on the Tuesday next preceding the second Wednesday in June, September and December. The Massachusetts Convention of High Priests hold their meetings in Boston, on the same days.

Communications to the Grand Chapter may be directed to Samuel Howe, Grand Secretary, Boston.